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1.(C) Summary. Two violent incidents occurred overnight April 9, including one involving the killing of a police officer. Mainstream Shi'a police (U) A policeman was killed and two other officers wounded April 9 when masked assailants hurled stones and a Molotov cocktail at a patrol car 3.(C) Ministry of Interior Joint Counter Terrorism Center Director Major Mohammed Abdulla Al-Haram told Emboff April 10 that on the prior eveni 4.(SBU) Bahraini law enforcement officials have previously expressed concern that e-mails circulating among Shi'a proclaiming the "Youth Resist 5.(U) The Prime Minister condemned the Karzakan attack and called for stepped-up efforts to bring the perpetrators to justice and prevent such 6.(U) Karzakan has been the frequent site of weekend clashes between Shi'a youth and security forces. Molotov cocktails have often been used an 7.(U) In a separate incident on the evening of April 9, vandals used a gas cylinder to blow up a car in the village of Ma'meer injuring two pec 8.(C) Al-Wifaq Foreign Affairs Committee Chairman Sayed MANAMA 00000236 002 OF 002 Sayeed Al-Majid told Emboff April 10 that bloc parliamentary 9.(C) Given violent Shi'a oppositionists, continued use of Molotov cocktails, the April 9 fatality in Karzakan was likely just a matter of time